



# EACES-AISSEC International Workshop

University of Perugia, Department of Economics, 2-3 October 2025

## World in Transition: The Turbulent Beginning of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Millennium

2 October

13:00 – 14:00 Registration

[Second floor]

14:00 – 14:15 Welcome address

[Room 201, second floor]

**Marcello Signorelli** (University of Perugia), Director of the Department of Economics

**Norberto Pignatti** (International School of Economics at TSU, ISET, Georgia), President of the European Association for Comparative Economic Studies (EACES)

**Dario Sciulli** (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara), President of the Italian Association for the Study of Comparative Economic Systems (AISSEC)

14:15 – 15:45 Parallel session I

I.A Evolving geoeconomic scenarios

[Room 201, second floor]

**Chair: Hartmut Lehmann** (New Uzbekistan University, Tashkent)

**Pompeo Della Posta** (Beijing Normal University, China) *'Protectionism or protection? New Western economic policies against the backdrop of the current geoeconomic scenario'*

**Anita Pelle** (University of Szeged, Hungary) *'The impact of the geoeconomic and geopolitical shift on the integrity of the European Union, with special regards to economic strategic decisions'*

**Sara Balestri** (University of Perugia) *'Forest Governance in Practice: Comparative Trade Effects of EU VPAs in Cameroon and Indonesia'* (with L. Aldieri, L. Esposito and M. Signorelli)



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## I.B Economic policies

[Room 202, second floor]

**Chair: Richard Pomfret** (Adelaide University, Australia)

**Tania Masi** (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara and CefES) *'Factor Income Taxation and the Governance Dividend'* (with A. Savoia and K. Sen)

**Nemanja Vuksanovic** (University of Belgrade, Serbia) *'Energy poverty in Europe: Cross-country evidence on persistence and policy implications'* (with J. Zarkovic, G. Krstic, and M. Vladislavjevic)

**Debora Di Gioacchino** (Sapienza University of Rome) *'Can Voluntary Health Insurance and Strong Primary Care Improve Health? Evidence from a Cluster Analysis of European Healthcare Systems'* (with E. Ghignoni and L. Sabani)

## 15:45 – 16:45 Parallel session II

### II.A Labor market dynamics

[Room 201, second floor]

**Chair: Dario Sciulli** (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara)

**Hartmut Lehmann** (New Uzbekistan University, Tashkent) *'The Cost of Job Loss for Coal Miners in Turkey'* (with S.H. Ayhan and J.C. Steckel)

**Alina Verashchagina** (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara) *'Gender Gap in Unpaid Care Work, Individual and Social Activities'* (with F. Bettio and D. Di Gioacchino)

### II.B Innovation and competitiveness

[Room 202, second floor]

**Chair: Pompeo Della Posta** (Beijing Normal University, China)

**Silvan M. Hofer** (Institute for European Policymaking, Bocconi University) *'Do EU Grants Boost Competitiveness?'* (with D. Gros, Ph.-L. Mengel, and G. Presidente)

**Matteo Rapagna** (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara) *'Do EU Funds Foster or Hinder Regional Convergence? Misallocation as a Transmission Channel'* (with M. Del Gatto and M. Peracchia)

## 16:45 – 17:00 Coffee break

(Aquarium room, first floor)



## 17:00 – 18:00 Parallel session III

### III.A Social norms and values

[Room 201, second floor]

**Chair: Karine Torosyan** (International School of Economics at TSU, ISET, Georgia)

**Richard Pomfret** (Adelaide University, Australia) *'Evolving Economic Systems in the 21st Century: The Role of Populism'*

**Elvisa Drishti** (University of Shkodra "Luigj Gurakuqi", Albania, and CERGE-EI) *'The Moral Economy of Work: Social Norms, Values, and the Meaning of Work in Post-Transition Societies'* (with B. Kopliku)

### III.B Demographic transition

[Room 202, second floor]

**Chair: Debora Di Gioacchino** (Sapienza University of Rome)

**Dario Sciulli** (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara) *'Childbirth and the dynamics of female employment pay status in Europe'* (with Ch. Mussida)

**Sean M. T. Elliot** (University of Toronto, Canada) *'Marriage, Cohabitation, and Separation: A Dynamic Approach to the Second Demographic Transition'*

## 18:00 – 19:00 Keynote speech

[Room 2, ground floor]

**Vittorio Valli** (Professor Emeritus of Economic Policy at the University of Turin, the first President of EACES and AISSEC) *'Shifting powers in the world economy in the XXI Century'*

**Chair: Marcello Signorelli** (University of Perugia)

## 20:30 Workshop dinner – Restaurant Ferrari

(Via Scura 1, Alley opening from Corso Vannucci)



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08:30 – 09:30 Parallel session IV

IV.A Environment and climate change

[Room 201, second floor]

Chair: **Roberto Ricciuti** (University of Verona)

**Andrea Bacchiocchi** (University of Urbino Carlo Bo) '*Mitigation and Adaptation in a Dynamic Climate-Economy Model*'

**Kevin J. Lansing** (Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, USA) '*Modeling the Evolving Patterns of Global Temperature Anomaly Distributions*'

IV.B Sustainable development

[Room 202, second floor]

Chair: **Sara Caria** (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia)

**Anita Zombory** (University of Szeged, Hungary) '*Growth at Any Cost? Contradictions Between the European Green Deal and Sustainability*'

**Vincenzo Alfano** (University of Napoli "Parthenope") '*A Matter of Political Horizons: Life Expectancy and Environmental Budgeting in Italian Regional Governments*' (with S. Capasso and M. Signorelli)

09:30 – 11:00 Parallel session V

V.A Natural resources and poverty dynamics

[Room 201, second floor]

Chair: **Norberto Pignatti** (International School of Economics at TSU, ISET, Georgia)

**Roberto Ricciuti** (University of Verona and CESifo) '*Natural Resources, Democracy and Public Sector*' (with T. Masi)

**Evžen Kočenda** (Charles University, Czech Republic, CESifo and IOS) '*Price and Income Elasticities of Industrial Energy Demand in New EU Member States*' (with S.F. Eshun, P. Okwochec, and M. Ščasný)

**Milan Ščasný** (Charles University, Czech Republic) '*Bridging the Gap: A Novel M2/LIHC Hybrid Indicator Unveils Energy Poverty Dynamics – case study of the Czech Republic*' (with M. Opatrný)

V.B Education and health

[Room 202, second floor]

Chair: **Alina Verashchagina** (G. d'Annunzio University of Chieti-Pescara)



**Roberto Roson** (Ca' Foscari University of Venice) '*Simulating Educational Mismatch for Impact Policy Assessment*' (with E. Ghignoni)

**Matteo Migheli** (University of Turin and OEET) '*Economic Freedom and Sex Health Gap in the E.U.*'

**Elisa Ticci** (University of Siena) '*Intimate partner violence during lockdown in Tuscany, Italy: economic shock or confinement-related stressors?*' (with F. Bettio and F. Flores Tavares)

**11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break**

(Aquarium room, first floor)

**11:30 – 13:00 Parallel session VI**

## **VI.A Development policies**

[Room 201, second floor]

**Chair: Matteo Migheli** (University of Turin)

**Sara Caria** (University of Modena and Reggio Emilia) '*Evolving and differentiated strategy? A network approach to understand Chinese development finance in Africa*' (with S. Ghinoi)

**Andrea Crippa** (University of Perugia) '*A Latent Variable Approach to Food Security Dynamics in Africa*' (with S. Balestri and L. Pieroni)

**Marta Marson** (The Polytechnic University of Milan) '*Agri-tech innovation: a poverty trap for African countries?*' (with N. Belaid, I. Savin, and P. Mundt)

## **VI.B Economic shocks and uncertainty**

[Room 202, second floor]

**Chair: Sara Balestri** (University of Perugia)

**Svatopluk Kapounek** (Mendel University in Brno, Czech Republic) '*Effects of Trade Uncertainty on Banking Groups*' (with G. Kutasi)

**Evžen Kočenda** (Charles University, Czech Republic, CESifo and IOS) '*Corporate Survival in Emerging European Markets: Impacts of COVID-19 Pandemic and Russo-Ukrainian War*' (with I. Iwasaki)

**Iva Zverinova** (Charles University, Czech Republic) '*Public Acceptability of the EU Emissions Trading System under Uncertainties in Three EU Countries*' (with M. Ščasný)

**13:00 – 14:00 Light lunch and farewell**

(Aquarium room, first floor)



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